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**MEMO ENDORSED**

August 18, 2008

**BY HAND DELIVERY**

Honorable Denise L. Cote  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: Catherine Bracho v. City of New York et al., 08-CV-1476 (DLC) (JCF)

Your Honor:

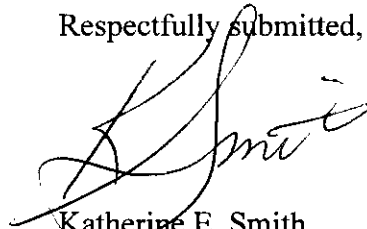
As the Assistant Corporation Counsel assigned to the defense of the above-referenced civil rights action, I write to respectfully request that defendants The City of New York and Melissa Lee's time to answer or otherwise respond to the amended complaint in this action be enlarged to and including September 18, 2008. I have conferred with plaintiff's counsel, Jeffrey Pollack, Esq., and he consents to this request for an enlargement of time.

As way of background, the complaint alleges, *inter alia*, that on December 22, 2006, New York City Police Officer Melissa Lee and several other unidentified officers falsely arrested plaintiff in violation of her state and federal civil rights. On July 11, 2008, defendant City filed its answer to plaintiff's complaint. On July 25, 2008, plaintiff filed an amended complaint, adding Sergeant Melissa Lee as a defendant. Upon information and belief, defendant Lee was served with the amended complaint on or about August 5, 2008, and as such, her answer is due on August 25, 2008. This enlargement of time is necessary so that this office can finalize the requisite representational investigation pursuant to Section 50-K of the New York General Municipal Law. Furthermore, an enlargement will facilitate the submission of a joint response to the amended complaint on behalf of all defendants.

Accordingly, defendants City of New York and Melissa Lee respectfully request that their time to answer or otherwise respond to the amended complaint be enlarged to and including September 18, 2008.

I thank Your Honor for considering the within request.

Respectfully submitted,



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